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Irrigation Project In California Is the World's Largest.

United States Government About to Begin In Sacramento and San Joaquin Valleys Work Involving Outlay of \$50,000,000-Much Can Be Raised.

projects, an undertaking so vast that thirty years and upward of \$50,000,000 will be required to carry It out, is about to be begun by the federal gov-Joaquin valleys of California, says the ernment's activities.

every known species of plant life, the ing problem than that of equalizing government engineers purpose to dis- the rainfall, storing up the surplus in ribute the annual rainfall flow from the snow beds in the Cascade over a vast territory.

acres, and, while the area to be re- ment in every sense." claimed in the San Jonquin valley has not been measured accurately, it is estimated roughly that it will be one

and one-half times that area. "None of us realizes the agricultural possibilities of these valleys," said Chief Hydrographer M. O. Leighton of the United States geological survey in outlining the government plans for this region. "While the development of this area has been marvelous in the

last few years, its possibilities have not as yet been touched upon. tions of sizes that can be completed a higher flight. with the money available. The first of these will be the Orland subproject, comprising 30,000 acres. The preliminary work has been under way for er conditions at various altitudes. For

some time. The work of construction will be begun within a few months. Mr. Leighton passed through Chica-go recently on his return to Washing-a height of 3,500 feet the temperature ton, where he will make a report to the secretary of the interior of the results of extended observations in this

locality, which demonstrate the project to be entirely feasible.

"The preliminary work was begun five years ago," continued the hydrographer. "The survey of the Orland lay in cold weather. The best is none project was commenced five years ago. This work has demonstrated that the undertaking, aside from its huge size, will offer fewer engineering difficulties than many other projects now being carried out by the government. While the average cost of this reclamation work averages \$25 an acre, this will b€ much lower in this case on account of the accessibility of the water supply. The outlay will probably not be much over \$10 an acre.

"Our measurements show ample water supplies both in the Sierra and the Cascade ranges. The largest reservoirs will be located at Clear lake, Big valley, Iron canyon and Warm Springs

valley. "A conservative estimate of the supporting capacity of these valleys is 25,000,000 people. There is not a product of the soil that cannot be raised there, tropical or other. Oranges, grapes, dates, figs, almonds, as well as flax, tobacco, grains and the crops familiar in this part of the country (Illinois), all flourish there. Experiments in growing strange fruits and vegetables have demonstrated wonderful pos-

sibilities. "We were especially interested in the tobacco growing that is now being accomplished there both experimentally and commercially. The smokers in our party were agreed that the cured product far surpassed in flavor and sion arrived at by the educational detone any other grown in this country

that we had ever tried. "For the completion of this big projeet at least thirty years will be re- tute a "practical school for janitors," quired under the present state of available funds. The work of the govern- ing, polishing and etiquette will be ment is limited to the money received taught.

Opera House Block.

000,000 has been realized. Most of

this has already been put in the vari-

ous other projects being carried on in the west. "Under the system that the government follows this money is eventually returned to the United States treasury by the farmers whose lands are benefited by the irrigation works, and as it comes in it can be used over again. A TASK OF THIRTY YEARS. There is enough money now available for the pushing of the Orland subproject. As soon as specifications and

contracts can be made dirt will fly. "It has been but a few years since the government first took up the problem of irrigation. Previous to that time the vast areas of rich soil, need-The largest of the world's irrigation ing only water to make them fertile. were regarded as waste spots of the earth's surface, where nothing that man can subsist on could be grown. The work is now regarded as one of ernment in the Sacramento and San the most important phases of the gov-

"Aside from the difficulties occasion-In this region, where it is said the ally encountered of tunneling through range of climate and the natural fer- hills and constructing dams of huge tillty of the soil favor the growth of size, the work offers no more perplex-In the Sacramento valley alone it is useful. Big as is the initial outlay, it the ultimate plan to irrigate 2,700,000 is generally regarded as a rare invest-

## KITE'S GREAT FLIGHT.

## All Records In This Country Broken at

Virginia Weather Station. The highest altitude ever reached by a kite in this country, according to Professor Henry of the weather bureau, was that recorded recently at the Mount Weather station, in Virginia, when an altitude of slightly over 23.-000 feet was attained. At that height "So great is the undertaking that the a temperature of 5 degrees below zero government is unable to take it up as F. was recorded. It is Professor Hena whole, but must take it up in secs ry's belief that the kite will yet attain given hens to produce the best results. the ground and straightening himself

> The Mount Weather bureau has been conducting experiments in kiteflying with a view to determining the weath Instance, a temperature of 40 degrees was recorded at the top of the mounwas 8 degrees warmer.

The Best Food to Make Hens Lay. The extremely high prices that have prevailed for eggs during the past few years have emphasized more than ever the need of some food to make hens too good, especially when it can be obtained at a moderate price. G. H. Whyland of Valcour, N. Y., expresses his ideas on the subject in the following letter. He says: "I think 'Page's Perfected Poultry Food' is the best food to make hens lay that is on the market." Any one sending his address on a postal card to C. S. Page, Hyde Park, Vt., and mentioning this paper, will receive by mail, free, postpaid, a sample package of "Page's Perfected Poultry

## SCHOOL FOR JANITORS.

#### Etiquette Will Be Among Subjects Taught In Brooklyn Institution.

Etiquette of janitor service is something new under the sun, and whoever it was who hit upon the plan of establishing a school for instruction for janitors deserves the thanks of every flat dweller. This long felt want will be met now by an educational institution, and very shortly we shall behold modei janitors turned out by the hundred, says the New York Herald. It is needless to say that they will be in de-

This latest innovation in the broad field of culture was started in Brooklyn. His majesty King Janitor has been monarch of all he surveyed long enough. At least that is the conclupartment of the Bedford branch of the Young Men's Christian association of Brooklyn, which will shortly instiwhere the science of scrubbing, dust-

from the sale of Indian lands, on The instruction to janitors will be which to the present time about \$40,- | conducted by William Mantell, super-

intendent of buildings at the Pratt institute and up in all janitorial problems. Mr. Mantell will conduct these classes on Wednesday nights from half past 7 to half past 9. Fifteen weeks will be consumed before Mr. Mantell can turn out an "advanced" janitor. Although he will not be given a diploma, the finished product will carry with him a paper to show that he has taken a course in the class.

In plea for this sort of Instruction the argument is advanced that apartment houses, hotels, offices and buildings of all kinds are increasing at an astonishing rate. The care of these properties calls for the expenditure of many thousands of dollars annually. In this work brains count as well as muscle in keeping a building clean and in good repair, and there are many wastes about janitorial work that may be saved by the exercise of intelligence and care. Skill and knowledge, is the contention, command a premium in this line as in any other.

## TO DRIFT ACROSS POLE.

Baldwin Plans to Float With the Ice In Well Built Ship.

Determined to make another "try" for the north pole, Evelyn Briggs Baldwin, arctic explorer, commander of the Baidwin-Ziegler expedition in 1901-02. member of the Perry expedition in 1893 and of the Walter Wellman expedition in 1898, announced here that he expected to make another trip into the lcy regions in three or four years, says an Annapolis special to the New York Press. He said he was organizing his expedition, but beyond explaining the route which he purposed to take would

not go into details. He said he would go to the Bering strait and would drift toward the pole with the natural ice. He said that the expeditions of De Long, in which the Jeannette was lost, and of Dr. Nansen to the Fram had furnished much valuable information which convinced him if a stanchly built vessel got into the ice pack at the right point beyond the strait it would drift over the pole.

"Nansen's vessel," he said, "would that course had Nansen succeeded in point where the Jeannette was crushed in 1883. The time is at hand for the reaching of the north pole and the first crossing of the Arctic sea. I do not let an hour pass without thinking heart of Franz Josef Land in 1901 was faulty, but that plan was for a 'dash' for the pole pure and simple, and necessarily it could not endure longer than a single season and would not have permitted scientific observations. the wet season to be used in the dry | With a ship, however, specially built | the pleasure of witnessing a championand carrying it through long canals for a drift, say, of three or four years, ship vegetarian eleven as the climax to the places where it will be most from Bering strait, material of very of the anticruelty movement. great value would be obtained. Necessarily such a plan is contrary to the mander Peary."

### How to Feed Poultry Foed. We will send free, postpaid, to any of athletes in an omnivorous state. farmer or poultryman who will write us, mentioning this paper, our direcresent the combined experience of England who have used our food successfully. There are also given many

suggestions as to the proper care to be Carroll S. Page, Hyde Park, VL Church Ventures In Junk. The Washburn Congregational La-

dles' Aid society of Washburn, Minn., which announced recently that it had engaged in the junk business, is meeting with great success in the venture and is being flooded with orders from all over the country for old scrap fron. rags, waste paper, etc., says the St. Paul Pioneer Press. One concern has even written to the ladies quoting prices paid for champagne bottles, but the society promptly turned down this request. The money derived from the plan is used for missionary work and for running the church.

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Meat May Be Cut Out of Pigskin Kickers' Menu at the Midway-Coach Stagg and Some of the Stars Believe In the Experiment.

Football a la vegetable has arrived. Instead of the traditional rare roast beef, the fiercest gridiron warriors of undoubtedly have drifted in precisely the future will prefer bean-apple-nut cutlets, in the opinion of the University placing her within the ice pack at the of Chicago athletes. "Squirrel food" and the lesselous product of the garden will hold sway at the Midway this season, says the Chicago Record-Herald. Coach Stagg is an ardent believer in and soul over my plan. Now, I do not the coming meatless era, and Captain mean to say that my plan of making a Leo De Tray and his Maroons have alpolar 'dash' from the northern coast ready forsworn their old ideas of diet in pursuance of the director's recommendations. The "reform" professors, in addition to viewing the total downfall of the training table, with its gladiatorial surroundings, may have

The Maroon director is himself a vegetarian of standing. For two years airship route proposed by Walter Well- he has eaten practically no meat, and man and to the polar 'dashes' of Com- he ascribes his present healthy condition to his change of diet. According to the coach, wonderful athletic feats may be accomplished by flesh abstainers which rival the accomplishments

During his stay at Battle Creek. Mich., Coach Stagg witnessed a tritions for feeding "Page's Perfected umph of vegetarianism which he hopes Poultry Food." These directions rep- to repeat in the Midway camp. He saw Granger, a Michigan exponent of some of the best poultrymen in New the faith, best all squatting records. According to Coach Stagg. Granger squatted 5,002 times without stopping. each time lowering his body close to out, without fatigue. The performance confirmed his strong belief in the pos

sibilities of football a la vegetable. The Midway football players could subsist at the start of the practice season on 2,000 grains of vegetable food divided properly in proteids, fats and carbohydrates, according to Coach Stagg. This is the amount the coach himself consumes daily, and the 2,000 calories of heat generated by this has | Contribution of Uncle Sam to the sufficed to put him in the best physical shape he has been in for years. He declared the other day that his rheumatism had left him before he went to Battle Creek, and he believes he is entirely rid of it.

"I was greatly surprised at the enormous strength exhibited by Glaser." said Stagg. "He squatted exactly 5,002 times. I saw him do it 2,000 times. then I had to exercise myself while he did it 3,000 times more.

"I have eaten very little meat for several years and practically none for two years. To work properly a man's food should be one-tenth proteids, fourtenths fats and the rest carbohydrates. The athletes might have to take a course in domestic science, but they could get on to it without much trou-

Captain De Tray has been a partial vegetarian for years, as he thinks he can tear up Chicago's opponents better without too much roast beef. Asststant Coach Hugo Bezdek and Coach Fred Speik of the freshman team also like the idea. Coach Speik declares that entering freshmen may take their choice of nutine and meat this fall.

Harold Iddings, De Tray's running mate in the back field, believes in the "squirrel food" training and declares he has often preached it to the football players of Merrilville, Ind., where he spends his summers. If Walter Steffen can be prevailed upon to become herbivorous, the Maroon back field will be a great advertisement for the vegetable gridiron game, Iddings declares. With the new order in dlet neces sarily will come a series of brand new vells. The yell composers at the Midway have already set themselves to the task and have produced the follow-

Sweet potatoes, rutsbagas, sauerkraut, squash. Run your legs off, Cap'n De Tray! our milk fed men, by gosh,

Will lick 'em bad today! Several of the athletes believe that a

diet of figs, rice, peanuly pens, beans and cheese will be a risk experiment and insist that they will eat real food taking three locomortives were used. this season despite the new ideas in camp. Captain De Tray has informed the knockers that Pythagoras and Plato were both vegetarians, however. | ny's tracks. and hopes this will have the desired

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Some Women Dread

Baking Day-Others Use A

"Personally, I don't see the use of having teeth if we can't eat meat," place in Stagg's line. "From all I can learn, Plato never played football. He probably thought it was wrong to kill animals, and of course it was only natural for him to eat notine instead of beef. I think Stagg will have a hard time introducing his vegetable

## "High Altitude" Parties.

The latest fad of the fashionable crowd which yearly flocks at this time of the year to cool and delightful Switzerland is "high altitude dinners and luncheon parties." The fashion was first set by Prince Pie of Savoy, who entertained the Prince and Princess Nicholas of Greece at a height of 5.575 feet at the Bernina hospice, St. Moritz. The fad quickly took on, and soon parties were arranged to take place on the topmast peaks of the Pilatus at Lucerne, the Rochers de Naye at Montreux and the Rothborn at Thun, but the most venturesome of all was that arranged by Mr. and Mrs. Murray of Chicago, who entertained their frends on the top of the Brevent, 8.285 feet above Chamounix and in full view of the stately Mont Blanc.

Theater In Railroad Station. When the new Pennsylvania railroad station at New York is completed Pittsburgers will be afforded an opportunity to see an act or two of vaudeville while awaiting their trains says the New York correspondent of the Pittsburg Dispatch. A handsome theater will be built inside the station. It will have a seating capacity of 2,200 the new roof will not have any covering to obstruct the summer night dispatch to the Philadelphia Pross. breezes. Mortimer M. Theise, who will

## playhouse a success.

Exposition.

STRUCTURE A GREAT SIGHT.

Cost of Construction Nearly Half a Million-Magnitude of the Work. Wonderful View From Dome-Illumination a Magnificent Display.

The great government pier which was recently completed at Jamestown stands the engineering aspects of such is the great centerpiece of the exposi- a plan can readily see that to turn tion. Its completion fills the great over a lighting undertaking to municivacuum in the appearance of the show pal authorities would be equivalent to

on Hampton Roads. This contribution of the general government to the use and beauty of the one but themselves. In your own countercentennial celebration represents one of the gigantic tasks of modern times, says a Jamestown dispatch to the New York World. The government appropriated the sum of \$400,000 for its construction. The plans called for a total of about 13,000 piles, considerably over a mile of sea wall, about 300,000 yards of fill and about 650 yards of dredging.

The pier is a double one, inclosing a water basis of 1,280,000 square feet. Its feature is a 150 foot re-enforced concrete arch at the outer end. This arch, placed on a mud bottom, relying entirely upon the bearing powers of the piles driven for its abutments, was the principal engineering task of the whole work, as it is the longest single span bridge of the kind in this country, measuring 151 feet and 5 inches from spring line to spring line In order to place this arch more than 200 piles were driven in each abutment and the concrete placed nine feet below the water line in two large cof-

ferdams. Fourteen pile driving machines were used in the pile driving. Nine dredgers, seven tugs and twelve scows, all manned with at least two and sometimes three crews, working either sixteen or twenty-four hours, were used and two and a half miles of track were laid to connect the various parts of the work with the exposition compa In handling the concrete two some

rate concrete plants were built. One of the hardest obstacles in completing the pler was found to be dredging said Jimmy Melgs, who will try for a The bottom instead of being sandy, as shown on the drawings of the original plans, proved to be a combination of clay, sand and sandstone, with a large quantity of cobblestones and small bowlders, which defied the best efforts of anything but the largest dredgeso

By day the view from the dome of the mammoth arch is sublime. High above the waters of Hampton Roads the perspective includes the vessels of every kind and chine as they come and go, the historic Fort Mouroe just beyond and the men-of-war lying at peaceful anchor. Turning the guze landward, the view takes in the Grand Plaza, the beautiful buildings and grounds of the Colonial City, last it is at night that the grandeur of the handtwork of man becomes apparent. On the pier 22,000 lamps beam and spar kle, turning night into day and Inlaly Bluminating the heavens with their radiance. The two great towers, with 3,000 lamps each: the arcs and arproaches, with 4,000 lamps; the sixteen standards, with ten lamps each, and four exedras, with 500 lamps, create a scene of illumination never before equaled. To perfect this feature more than 1,000 horsepower of energy is required, producing in technical terms 700,000 watts.

## LAST MAN'S CLUB DINNER.

Masonic Organization Presented Its President With Silver Pitcher.

At the recent annual dinner of the Last Man's club, an organization comand a model roof garden, a feature of posed of prominent Masons, C. T. Topwhich will be a stage that can be low- pin, the president, was presented with ered, full set, to the theater below, for a silver pitcher in honor of his fiftieth birthday, says a Wilmington (Del.)

There are twenty-two members of establish the theater, proposes to give the club, and each year a dinner is vaudeville on lines that are new. He held, and the seats of deceased memsays that the traveling public will con- bers are left vacant and draped in tribute greatly toward making the black until there is but one survivor, who will dine in state surrounded by the twenty-one empty chairs. -

Most of the members are men of advanced years, and it will be but a short time before the annual banquets will find many empty places.

## DEAN BOVEY AGAINST IT.

The Eminent Canadian Opposes the M. O. Gas Scheme In Montreal.

While in Washington recently Dr. Henry F. Bovey, dean of McGill unlversity, Montreal, said in the course of a discussion of the proposed operation of the Montreal gas works by the municipality:

"I am of course opposed to any such proposition. Any one who undermaking it a tool of politicians who would not operate for the good of any try the experience of Philadelphia should be enough to make any city hesitate on embarking in an enterprise calling for a large number of minor employees who would be nothing but political appointees and chosen be cause of their allegiance to the party

in power. "From the standpoint of economy any one can see that it is more costly for a city to operate its lighting plant than for individuals who have been trained in their respective departments for years and whose tenure of office doesn't depend on political exigencies.'

## Taxpayer Turned Down.

Calvin Stein of Niles appeared there before the board of public service on Thes-day night and demanded an examination of the city's books to learn whether the of the city's books to tearn whether the city's officials are paying for the gas and water which they draw from the municipally owned plants. (His demand was turned down.—Warren (O.) Chronicle.

Niles, O., has been advertised as an example of successful municipal ownership by a small city. Its plants were installed in 1891 at a cost of \$50,000, bonds for all of which are still outstanding. Meanwhile the tax rate has risen to \$3.56, the highest in that county.